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## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action, dated August 27, 2003, concerning the above-referenced patent application. The period for response has been extended up to January 27, 2004 by the attached two (2) month extension of time included in the attached Amendment Transmittal. Although applicant believes that the amount of the attached check is correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or to charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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